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REGULATORY FEES FACT SHEET

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WHAT YOU OWE – MEDIA SERVICES LICENSEES FOR FY 2005

This *Fact Sheet* concerns licensees of media services such as: commercial AM & FM radio stations, FM translators and boosters, commercial television stations, satellite TV stations, low power television (LPTV) stations, TV translators and boosters and broadcast auxiliary stations. Regulatory fees are based upon the nature of authorization (e.g. construction permit or license) held as of October 1, 2004. Licensees who did not begin providing services prior to October 1, 2004 are not required to pay regulatory fees this year. In instances where a service license or authorization is transferred or assigned after October 1, 2004, the fee must be paid by the party that is the licensee or holder of the authorization on the date that the fee payment is due.

Commercial AM/FM Radio Stations

Who Must Pay: Licensees of commercial AM and FM radio stations, holders of construction permits for new AM and FM stations, and licensees who hold auxiliary broadcast service licenses for stations operated in conjunction with the main station (e.g., remote pickup stations, aural broadcast STLs, intercity relay stations and low power auxiliary stations) provided that such licenses or permits were granted on or before October 1, 2004.

Fee Requirement: Fees are determined for AM and FM radio station licensees based upon class of station and population served. A station's class is based upon the station's most recent license that was granted on or before October 1, 2004. Fee amounts for AM and FM radio stations are indicated on a 42-block table, as shown on the following page. Fee amounts for individual stations may be obtained by accessing the FCC's internet web site (<http://www.fcc.gov/fees/regfees.html>). If you have a commercial AM or FM radio station which is not listed, please contact Roland Helvajian at (202) 418-0444 for assistance.

Licensees also owe \$10 for each broadcast auxiliary license that they hold. Holders of construction permits (CPs) for new AM and FM stations for which a license to cover the CP had not been granted as of October 1, 2004, owe \$310 (AM) or \$550 (FM) fee for each permit held, regardless of station class or population served.

Payment Type Codes and Payment Amounts For FY 2005 Radio Station Regulatory Fees						
Population Served	AM Class A	AM Class B	AM Class C	AM Class D	FM Classes A, B1 & C3	FM Classes B, C, C0, C1 & C2
<=25,000	0517 \$625	0523 \$475	0529 \$375	0535 \$450	0541 \$550	0547 \$725
25,001 - 75,000	0518 \$1,225	0524 \$925	0530 \$550	0536 \$675	0542 \$1,125	0548 \$1,250
75,001 - 150,000	0519 \$1,825	0525 \$1,150	0531 \$750	0537 \$1,125	0543 \$1,550	0549 \$2,300
150,001 - 500,000	0520 \$2,750	0526 \$1,950	0532 \$1,125	0538 \$1,350	0544 \$2,375	0550 \$3,000
500,001 - 1,200,000	0521 \$3,950	0527 \$2,975	0533 \$1,875	0539 \$2,250	0545 \$3,750	0551 \$4,400
1,200,001 - 3,000,000	0522 \$6,075	0528 \$4,575	0534 \$2,825	0540 \$3,600	0546 \$6,100	0552 \$7,025
>3,000,000	0579 \$7,275	0580 \$5,475	0581 \$3,575	0582 \$4,500	0583 \$7,750	0584 \$9,125

Regulatory Fee Group or Category	Regulatory Fee	Payment Type Code
Broadcast Auxiliary Station License	\$10	0569
Construction Permit for New AM Station	\$310	0515
Construction Permit for New FM Station	\$550	0516

VHF/UHF/Satellite TV Stations

Who Must Pay: Licensees of commercial VHF, UHF and satellite television stations, and holders of construction permits for new stations whose license or permit was granted on or before October 1, 2004. Also, licensees who hold auxiliary broadcast service licenses for stations operated in conjunction with the main TV station (e.g., remote pickup stations, intercity relay stations) owe a regulatory fee of \$10 for each auxiliary broadcast station. Holders of construction permits (CPs) for new television stations for which a license to cover the CP had not been granted as of October 1, 2004, owe \$3,175 (VHF), \$1,725 (UHF), or \$535 (Satellite TV) for each permit held, regardless of market size.

Fee Requirement: Fees for commercial television stations are based upon the size of the Nielsen Designated Market Area (DMA) as listed in the 2005 Edition of the Television & Cable Factbook, Stations Volume No. 73, Warren Publishing, Inc. Fee amounts are as follows:

Commercial VHF Stations:	Regulatory Fee	Payment Type Code
Markets 1-10:	\$61,975	0553
Markets 11-25:	\$44,675	0554
Markets 26-50:	\$32,025	0555
Markets 51-100:	\$18,800	0556
Remaining Markets:	\$4,625	0557
Broadcast Auxiliary Station	\$10	0569
Construction Permits:	\$3,175	0558

Commercial UHF Stations:	Regulatory Fee	Payment Type Code
Markets 1-10:	\$20,025	0559
Markets 11-25:	\$17,525	0560
Markets 26-50:	\$10,050	0561
Markets 51-100:	\$6,125	0562
Remaining Markets:	\$1,725	0563
Broadcast Auxiliary Station	\$10	0569
Construction Permits:	\$1,725	0564
Satellite TV Stations:	Regulatory Fee	Payment Type Code
All Markets:	\$1,075	0565
Construction Permits:	\$535	0566

LPTV, TV Translators & TV Boosters, FM Translators & FM Boosters

In a recent rulemaking proceeding, the Commission established a category of "Class A TV" into which some Low Power TV (LPTV) stations were re-classified (See Establishment of a Class A TV Service, 65 FR 29985, MM Docket No. 00-10 (May 10, 2000). For purposes of regulatory fees, we categorize the Class A TV service as a derivative of LPTV. Stations that were re-classified as Class A TV as of October 1, 2000, as well as existing LPTV stations operating as of October 1, 2004, should pay the LPTV fee of \$395 for FY 2005.

Who Must Pay: Holders LPTV, TV translator and booster licenses, and FM translator and booster licenses whose license was granted before October 1, 2004.

Fee Requirement: Fees are owed on a per license basis as follows:

Type of License	Regulatory Fee	Payment Type Code
Low Power Television Station, TV Translator/TV Booster	\$395	0567
FM Translator/FM Booster	\$395	0568

NEW LIMITATIONS ON CREDIT CARD TRANSACTIONS

The U.S. Treasury has advised the Commission that it will now reject Credit Card transactions greater than \$99,999.99 from a single credit card in a single day, in accordance with U.S. Treasury Bulletin No. 2005-03. If you need to pay \$100,000.00 or more, you should use a check, debit, or wire transfer.

Special Instructions for Completing FCC Forms 159 & 159-C

In addition to the general filing instructions that accompany FCC Form 159, the following information applies specifically to media services licensees.

Block (9) - Telephone Number:

- Enter the contact name and telephone number of the specific individual responsible for submitting the payment and supporting Form 159 and Form 159-C.

Block (11) - PAYER FRN:

- Enter the fee payer's FRN number.

Block (21) - APPLICANT FRN:

- If different from payer, enter the applicant's FRN number.

Block (23A) - FCC CALL SIGN/OTHER ID:

- **Call sign:** All Media Services payers must enter in this block the call sign of the station(s) for which the regulatory fee is being paid.
- Payers of the regulatory fee for broadcast auxiliary station(s) must enter their station's call sign.

Block (24A) - PAYMENT TYPE CODE: Enter the appropriate payment type code(s) from the fee grids provided in this *Fact Sheet*.

Block (25A) - QUANTITY: All media services fee payers must enter "1" in this block.

Block (27A) - TOTAL FEE: Enter the dollar amount associated with the corresponding Payment Type Code entered in Block (24A). **Enter exact dollars and cents; do not round.**

Block (28A) - FCC CODE 1:

- **Facility ID:** Enter the unique facility identification number for the AM, FM, TV, Low Power Television, FM/TV Translators, and FM/TV Booster station(s) for which the regulatory fee is being paid. Facility ID Numbers for these stations can be obtained from the Mass Media Bureau's Consolidated Data Base System (CDBS) at the FCC's Internet Website at www.fcc.gov/mmb by clicking on "CDBS Public Access", or by calling: Radio (202) 418-2700, TV (202) 418-1600. Further, the Facility ID Number is now included on all Radio and TV authorizations.
- If you are paying a broadcast auxiliary regulatory fee, leave this block blank.

Block (29A) - FCC CODE 2:

- If you are paying an AM, FM, TV or Low Power Television regulatory fee, enter the name of the state and community (in that order) of license for the station for which the regulatory fee is being paid. Please note that this block is for state and community of license, not mailing address. Please use the appropriate two letter post office abbreviation for the state.
- If you are paying a TV translator, TV booster, broadcast auxiliary, FM translator or an FM booster station regulatory fee, leave this block blank.

Block (30) - CERTIFICATION:

- Provide the printed name and signature of an individual owner/licensee or officer attesting to the accuracy and completeness of the information supplied.

Please include a daytime telephone number so that we can contact you if questions arise regarding your payment.

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